

# **Delaware**Weekly Crop and Weather Report



November 26, 2007

# Precipitation, Although Welcome, Is Not Enough to Improve Conditions

Rain and drizzle fell the week ending November 25, resulting in 4.3 days suitable for fieldwork. The precipitation, however, was not enough to improve winter wheat or soil moisture conditions. **Topsoil moisture** is again rated 92 percent adequate, 6 percent surplus, and 2 percent short. **Subsoil moisture** is rated 11 percent very short, 14 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 2 percent surplus.

**Soybean** harvest continued to progress despite the rain, with 83 percent of the crop now in. **Winter wheat** is now 94 percent planted, with three-quarters of the crop emerged. The condition of the wheat crop is unchanged from last week, and is rated 1 percent poor, 13 percent fair, 82 percent good, 4 percent excellent.

**Pasture** conditions improved slightly, and are now rated 10 percent very poor, 14 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 38 percent good and 1 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** are running low, and are rated 22 percent very short, 57 percent short, 18 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

## DELAWARE'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 25, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Five Year Average				
	Percent							
Field Crops								
Soybeans Harvested	83	77	78	77				
Winter Wheat Planted	94	90	91	90				
Winter Wheat Emerged	75	63	84	79				

#### SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 25, 2007

	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture			
Condition by Percent	This	Last	5 Year	This	Last	5 Year	
	Week	Week	Average	Week	Week	Average	
Very Short	-	-	-	11	11	-	
Short	2	2	-	14	13	-	
Adequate	92	92	-	73	74	-	
Surplus	6	6	-	2	2	-	

Lynne M. Huff Chris Cadwallader I T Specialist Director

## WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 25, 2007

	Precipitation <sup>1</sup>			Temperatures			
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
Maryland	WCCK	oun 1	Since dun 1				Tiorna
Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.00	30.64	-6.11	74	22	47	3
Frederick	0.18	32.38	-3.54	73	22	44	5
Frostburg	0.12	37.43	-4.95	66	16	39	2
Hagerstown	0.01	24.59	-10.68	71	24	45	4
Mechanicsville	0.17	29.46	-11.35	74	23	47	2
Patuxent River	0.13	26.97	-11.47	74	34	51	5
Ocean City	0.24	27.39	-13.15	68	27	49	3
Salisbury	0.12	25.81	-15.29	72	15	46	-2
Sharpsburg	0.09	30.71	-5.21	74	19	44	5
Stevensville	0.08	31.08	-6.99	73	24	47	2
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.00	29.63	-5.33	77	30	51	4
Delaware							
Dover	0.38	31.62	-8.43	72	25	48	2
Georgetown	0.19	28.05	-11.73	72	26	48	4
Wilmington	0.06	36.14	-0.62	72	23	44	0

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M on recorded date

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.

Published by

### The U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agricultural Statistics Service – Maryland Field Office

50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 (410) 841-5740 Fax (410) 841-5755

a cooperative service of